The Symposia series I – VI on Bioinspired and Biointegrated Materials as New Frontier Nanomaterials has been running from 2009 to 2016, with a total of 1317 Presenters, featuring inspiring presentations on rapidly-developing bio-nanotechnologies for next generation nanomaterials, nanosystems and robotic nanodevices.

The VII edition of the Symposium, to be held on May 22-26 2017 in Strasbourg (France), is aimed to give an overview of recent development on fundamentals and innovative applications of bio-nanotechnologies, with a special focus on biomaterials engineering and frontier nanomaterials based on emerging concepts for preparing, characterizing and applying bioinspired and biomimetic materials.

Scope:

The Symposium, boosting an interdisciplinary vision, welcomes researchers active in materials science, chemistry, physics, biotechnology and nanomedicine. Submissions reporting on interdisciplinary research efforts, especially those exploring new and emerging concepts, as well as more-developed ideas that are breaking down barriers in biomedical research, are encouraged.

The Symposium will also be the opportunity to bring together researchers from several associated international projects including the COST Actions (MP 1301 NEWGEN & CA 15107 MultiComp) and EU HORIZON 2020 FET Open Programs (LiNaBioFluid), HORIZON 2025 started Programs

Topics to be covered by the symposium:

- Cells, intracellular membranes & tissues bioscience, engineering and 3D/4D imaging
- Smart scaffolds for cell seeding and soft & bone tissue bioengineering
- Chemical and biological synthesis of biomimetic molecules and supramolecular aggregates,
- Stimuli responsive systems, including motors, rotors, switches, pumps, receptors, light emitters, energy harvesting devices at nanoscale
- New nanomaterials for smart bioreponsive interfaces with biological signaling
- Bioinspired synthesis of inorganic nanoparticles for nanomedicine
- Carbon multifunctional 2D & 3D architectures, structure-development of graphene, graphene oxide, nanocarbons
- Biosensing & biological signaling by interfaces engineering
- Electronics and photonics based on biomolecules, supramolecular assemblies, biopolymers, including nucleic acids, peptides, proteins, etc...

The participation of young investigators is strongly encouraged, to provide the most effective and exciting environment for the discussion of the latest, cutting edge results.

The E-MRS Hq and Symposium K support Young Investigators through the E-MRS Graduate Students Awards Prizes and a special support from the Symposium K's budget fund (cf. bottom of page for more details).

Projects for Focused Sessions from May 22 to May 26, 2017:


The Special Session & Young Investigator Forum are dedicated to the 2016 Nobel Laureate in Physiology or Medicine Professor Yoshinori Ohsumi “for his discoveries of mechanisms for autophagy”.

Keynote Presentations:

- Tomas Webster Northeastern University, USA
- Osamu Suzuki, Tohoku University, Japan;
- Paula E. Colavita, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland;
- Yoshikatsu Akiyama, Tokyo Women’s Medical University, Japan
- Masaru Tanaka, Kyushu & Yamagata Universities;
- Karsten Haupt, Compiègne University of Technology, France
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